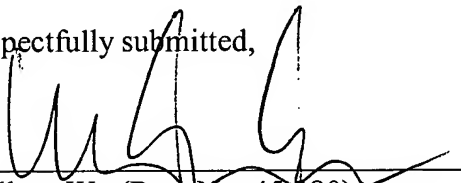


**REMARKS**

Claim 8 is pending. Claims 1-7 and 9-10 have been canceled. Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's rejection of claim 8 based on 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art, in view of the prior art and specification, would be reasonably apprised of the scope of claim 8. For example, the magnetic tape in claim 8 has a thickness of 7  $\mu$ m or less. Therefore, one of ordinary skill in the art would understand what "thin layer of metal" in the magnetic tape means. Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of this rejection. The Examiner's remaining rejections are now moot in view of the amendment.

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